Cargo and passenger service targets

2001. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the last 10 months of the fiscal year, Railways has exceeded the cargo and passenger service targets;

(b) if so, the reasons that helped Railways to achieve the target; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir. The revenue freight loading (in million tonnes) has been as under:

Target upto January, 05	Actual upto January, 05	+/-over Target
485	491.76 (Provisional)	6.76

Also, during April, 04 to January, 05, on Indian Railways 4597 millions of passengers were booked which is 6.32% higher than the correspoding period of previous year as compared to the target of 5.47% for the whole year 2004-05.

(b) There has been significant growth in the loading of iron ore for export (41.11%), cement (10.69%), fertilizer (9.24%), coal (7.77%) and other goods (7.78%) over the comparative period of last year.

(c) Does not arise.

Rail accidents caused by human errors

†2002. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether rail accidents being caused by human errors could not be checked due to ignorance of recommendation of Justice H.R. Khanna Committee constituted for suggesting safety measures of Railways;

(b) the details of rail accidents caused by human errors during the last five years, year-wise; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.